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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 4, 6, 8, 9

Part B for May 1915

SUBJECT.

Complaint against Sub Asst Surgeon Mr C Vedanayagam Pillay of Kunigal Dispensary

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G.O No 9361-90 d. 25.5.15.

Directs that Mr Vedanayagam Pillay Sub Asst Surgeon should be temporarily reduced to the 2nd class for a period of one year and that he should not be given independent charge of a dispensary during a period of 5 years.

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Sent 12 Papers
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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File No. 10-14

FILE HEADING.

Petitions Complaining against Medical Officers and Subordinates.

From

The Senior Surgeon.

No. 4/129 Dated 21.9.14 Received 24.9.14

Diary No. 2210	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 4

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Submits for orders records of enquiry into two petitions Complaining against Sub Asst Surgeon Mr C. Vedanayagam of Kurunegal stating that the Sub Asst Surgeon's transfer to the District Hospital at Jaffna has been ordered not as a punishment but merely to facilitate the enquiry into the Complaints against him.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

The first of the Complaints against the Sub Asst Surgeon was that when one Beera a postal runner went to the dispensary at Kurunegal for treatment on 9.2.14, he was ordered by the Sub Asst Surgeon to be thrown out of the dispensary Compound.

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without proper authority from the evening of the 12th the evening of 14th March '14) the dispensary at Kunigal being closed during the period. The Sub Asst Surgeon himself admits the truth of this Complaint and says ~~as his explanation~~ that he went to Bangalore at the request of the Supt of the ~~Govt~~ Kunigal Stud farm to see his sick son and bring him back to Kunigal and adds that he did so as he thought that it was only a part of his duty.

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5. The district med officer is of opinion that in this case the Sub asst Surgeon is guilty of a breach of discipline and the rules of Service and that the Sub asst Surgeon having been already transfered from Kunigal to the district Hospital, Tumkur, a warning to the Sub asst Surgeon will ~~does~~ be sufficient.

The Senior Surgeon States in his letter that the transfer of the Sub asst Surgeon ~~to~~ was ordered by him not as a punishment but merely to facilitate enquiry.

6 The enquiries into the above Complaints have also disclosed the fact that—

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The Report of the District Medical Officer Tumkur District to the Senior Surgeon sets forth briefly the circumstances of the case and the explanation of the Sub Asst Surgeon in regard to the Complaint against him. As a result of his enquiry the District Med. Officer has expressed his opinion that the case calls for no further notice beyond the transfer of the Sub Asst Surgeon which has already been effected.

3. The Senior Surgeon relying on the Statement of a retired Sherkdar States that he is Convinced that the Sub Asst Surgeon utterly failed in his duty as a medical man when he not only refused to supply the necessary medicine to the patient (the Sub Asst Surgeon States that when examined, Beera was found to have had no fever) but got him thrown out of the dispensary Compound. (On this point the District Med. Officer considers the evidence to be conflicting).

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The Second Complaint against the Sub Asst Surgeon is that in connection with a private Case he was absent from Kunigal,

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that the Sub asst Surgeon on his own responsibility prevented the Compounder from doing his legitimate work and asked him to attend the dispensary only out of ~~the~~ working hours and also allowed the midwife and the dispensary Cooly* to dispense medicines during his absence.

The Senior Surgeon considers that the Sub Asst Surgeon C. Vedanayagam has, on the whole, proved himself to be an unreliable subordinate not deserving of any independent charge and has submitted the case for the orders of Govt.

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Two petitions were received by the Senior Surgeon against Mr Vedanayagam Sub-assistant Surgeon of Kumgal, and an enquiry was made by the District Medical officer on the allegations contained in the petitions; and submitted his report to the Senior Surgeon who now submits the whole file with the remark that the Sub-Assistant Surgeon has proved himself an unreliable subordinate not deserving any independent charge.

* The Sub asst Surgeon says that he had trained Cooly Bhima Rao in Compounding work.

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The charges against the Subassistant Surgeon are these:
1) that the Hospital was closed from the 12 to 14th March 1914.
2) that he committed assault on a portal peon by name Beera who had come to the Hospital for treatment, and
3) that he had ordered the compounder not to attend the Hospital in the morning.

10 With regard to the first charge, the Subassistant Surgeon's explanation is that he applied for 2 days leave on the 12th March as he had to go to Bangalore to bring the dog of the Superintendent of the Stud Farm, and that he was under the impression that it was also part of his work. If this had been a straightforward excuse from the beginning, then nothing could be said against it, and would have been a very good defence against the charge. The Subassistant Surgeon, no doubt, applied for 2 days' leave and left the Station. But as the letter did not specify the date from which the leave was required, the District Medical Officer asked for details. As an honest man, the Subassistant Surgeon should have stated that he availed himself of the leave in anticipation of sanction from the 12th to 14th. Instead of doing so, he wrote back today to the Dt. M. Officer that he required the leave from the 26th or 27th March. No explanation has been given for absenting himself thus without permission, and for not reporting it to the

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D. M.O. It can not be said that he was not aware of the Rules. For, he himself told the Supt. of the Stud Farm in the beginning of March that he was not ready to go to Bangalore as he had not taken the two days' leave necessary, and that he would apply for the leave next week and be ready to start. (vide Supt's letter to the Senior Surgeon). again, in his letter of 26.3.14 to the D.M.O. the Subassistant Surgeon himself says: "I left the station after having applied for two days' leave." This is quite inconsistent with his letter to the D.M.O. of 9.3.14 on his leave application. Thus, there can be no doubt that the Subassistant Surgeon having absented himself for two days without permission, tried to dishonestly suppress his absence from the knowledge of the D.M.O. thinking perhaps that the higher officers may still not know this. Apparently in support of his subsequent false position he must have inserted certain entries in the Hospital outpatient Book to ~~show~~ make it appear as if he were present in the station on the 12th, 13th & 14th.

II This charge which is clearly proved fully justifies the remark of the Senior Surgeon that he is unreliable and unfit to be in charge of an independent

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12 as regards the second charge also, there is ample evidence to show that the Sub-assistant-Surgeon did not treat the patient, but got him pushed out of the compound. The evidence of the retired shekdar is worthy of belief, as remarked by the Senior Surgeon.

13 on the third point, there is some excuse for the Sub-assistant Surgeon, as he and the Compounder cannot pull in a cart, and as sufficient steps cannot be taken by the higher officers to separate the two services that proper discipline was maintained.

14 His appeal for orders as to what punishment should be awarded to the Sub. asst-Surgeon having regard to the Senior's nature of the offence referred to in the first charge.

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15 What class is he in, that service has he put in that class and when will he be eligible for next promotion?

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~~Recording~~ Subtd.

C. Kedaneyapam Pillay has been a Sub asst Surgeon, 1st class, on Rs 60 per mensem Since 1st July 1910. He has thus put in a Service of 4 years and Six months in that Class (Informn as to leave without allowances, if any, taken by him is not available)

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17 There can be no doubt that the Sub Asst Surgeon has behaved most improperly in absenting himself without leave for 2 days & putting forward a false plea. His treatment of patients also is not sympathetic. To relieve him of independent charge is no punishment whatever. He may, I think be removed for six months and debarred from having any independent charge for 3 years

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21/12/14

2nd member

Perusal of the connected papers of the S. A. Surgeon in question is indeed most improper

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and as such he furnishes
purposes & can A. Surg. G & no means
excessive or too severe.

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19 Some more severe notice seems necessary.

20 The Senior Surgeon should have indicated what the punishment should be.

21 Please obtain the views of the Intervening Member also.

24.12.14. 25/12

22 I think he might be reduced to the next lower grade ~~for~~ and ~~from~~ his promotion be postponed for 5 years. The Senior Surgeon may be asked as to indicate the punishment to be given

5.2.15. 5/2/15

23 Please look at draft

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24. Draft- sent

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6	To The Senior Surgeon. Letter no: 6180 d/13.2.15 Requests him to indicate the punishment to be given to the Sub Asst Surgeon Mr C Vedanayagam Pillay for his improper behaviour and unsympathetic treatment of patients.
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8	Letter no: G 343 d/18.2.15 from the Same officer Recommend that Mr C. Vedanayagam Pillay may be reduced to the Second class of Sub Asst Surgeons on Rs 50 and made to serve in that class for a period of 5 years during which he should not be placed in independent charge of a dispensary.
	28 Subd for orders with refce to paragraphs 19 to 22 Supra.
	Adm-41 22.2.15
	29 The Senior Surgeon's opinion is practically the same as suggested in para 22, and may be adopted.
	23/2/15
	Secy
	30. Please put up a draft
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	31 Draft Subd for approval or other orders.
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32) Draft may be approved
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Asst.

2nd Member
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33) In case question, ten punishment proposed seems to be too much too severe for the charges framed against ten S.D.O. I think he may be reduced to ten second grade temporarily for one year & also debarred of independent charge for a period of five years. To reduce him to 2nd grade for 5 years is much too hard on the man
Secy
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34 I agree. Issue order as amended
24/5/15
Hon
Dewan
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35. Hon Secy
25/5/15

9 36 To The Senior Surgeon and the Comptroller.
G.O. No. 9389-90. D 25th May 1915.
Directs that Mr. Vedanayagam Pillai, Asst

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Sub Asst. Surgon should be temporarily reduced to the 2nd class for a period of one year and that he should not be given independent charge of a dispensary during a period of five years.

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No. G. 129
Encs. 1 file

Office of Senior Surgeon, Mysore Govt.,

Dated, Bangalore, 21-9-1914

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From Rao Bahadur T.V Arumugum Mudaliar, Esq., M.B.C.M
~~P. S. Achyuta Rao, Esquire,~~
Senior Surgeon with the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

To D.M. Narasinga Rao, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
~~K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., M.A.,~~
Offg. *Secretary to the Government of*
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Genl. and Rev. Deptts.,
Bangalore.

Med 10-14 3:4

Sir,

I have the honor to report that on the 14th of February 1914, a petition was received in this office from one Beera, a Postal runner of Kunigal, complaining that he was rudely treated by Sub Assistant Surgeon Mr. C.Vedanayagam of Kunigal, when he went to the Dispensary on or about the 9th February 1914 for medicine. This petition was forwarded to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer for enquiry and report and before a reply thereto was received another petition was received from one Thamboo Rowther, a Cloth Merchant, stating that the dispensary at Kunigal was found locked from the 12th to the 14th of March 1914 and that in consequence he failed to obtain medical aid to a relation of his who was seriously ill. This petition was also forwarded to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer for enquiry and report, the Sub Assistant Surgeon being at the same time transferred to the District Hospital, Tumkur, to facilitate the enquiry.

2. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer after due enquiry of the cases has submitted two reports, from which

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From

THE SENIOR SURGEON
WITH THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
Bangalore.

To

THE SECRETARY
TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE, 4,
G. & R. DEPTTS., BANGALORE.

Dated 21. 9. 14

Despatched

Received

General No. G. 129
No.

Enclosure No. 1 file

SUBJECT.

Submitting for orders a file of correspondence about the complaints made against Sub Assistant Surgeon C. Vedanayagam —

it is clear that the main facts as set forth in the complaint petitions are substantially true.

3. In the case of the Postal runner, the man went to the Sub Assistant Surgeon with a letter from the local Post Master and instead of receiving medicine was roughly driven out of the Dispensary compound. On this point I cannot find any reason to disbelieve the evidence given by the pensioned Sheikdar. That the runner's name is absent in the Out-patients' register is a sufficient proof that no medicine or advice whatever was given to the runner. I am therefore convinced that - whatever the motive or cause might have been- the Sub Assistant Surgeon utterly failed in his duty as a medical man when he not only refused to supply the necessary medicine to the man who came to him as a sick patient, but also had him driven out of the dispensary compound by force.

4. In the second case, the Sub Assistant Surgeon left his station without proper authority on the evening of the 12th March 1914 and came to Bangalore in connection with a private case, and returned to Kunigal on the evening of the 14th following, thus absenting himself from the dispensary for full two days. In this case the Sub Assistant Surgeon has not only unauthorisedly left his station, but has also deliberately made a false statement that he had applied for the necessary permission when he had not actually done so. The only application for leave he had made referred,according to his own statement, to the 26th & 27th of March and not for the period in question. Another grave irregularity committed by him is his action in having forbidden the Compounder from doing his legitimate work and in asking him to attend the dispensary only at out of working hours and his having kept the whole matter from the knowledge of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer. Further he took the risky and undesirable step of allowing the Midwife and the Dispensary Cooly - unqualified hands - to dispense medicines during his absence.

5. Vedanayagam has, on the whole, proved himself to be a totally unreliable subordinate not deserving of any independent charge. His transfer from Kunigal to the District Hospital, Tumkur, was ordered by me in this office No. 3802-05, dated 16-3-1914, not as a punishment, but merely to facilitate the enquiry. I submit the case for the orders of Government.

6. The entire file of enquiries held by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, and letter No. 642 dated 10th April 1914, from the Superintendent of the Stud Farm, in reply to an enquiry from this office, are forwarded in original, for favour of perusal and kind return after done with.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. V. Cummings

Senior Surgeon.

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Serial No. 6

Diary No. of letter replied to 2210

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No. 6180
Med 10-16-6
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To The Senior Surgeon

Date of issue 13.2.15.

Signed by Mr G Sami Vasudeva

Sir,

With reference to your letter No: 9/129 of the 21st Septr'14 reporting on the petition ~~Complaining~~ against Sub Asst Surgeon Mr C. Kedanayagam of Kuruegal D.D. dispensary, I am directed to request you to be so good as to indicate ~~that~~ the punishment ~~awarded~~ to be given to the Sub Asst Surgeon for his improper ~~behaviour~~ behaviour and ~~misbehaviour~~ unsympathetic

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SUBJECT.

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treatment of patients, ~~brought to notice~~.

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Office of Senior Surgeon, Mysore Govt.

Dated, Bangalore, 18 · 2 · 1915

Med 10-14-8

From

Rao Bahadur T. V. Arumugum Mudaliar, Esq., M. B., C. M.,
Senior Surgeon with the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

To

D.M. Narasinga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Gen. & Rev. Depts, Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 6180-Med. 10-14-6 dated 13-2-1915, I have the honor to recommend that 1st Class Sub Assistant Surgeon Mr. C. Vedanayagam Pillay may be reduced to the 2nd Class on Rs 50/- and made to serve in that class for 5 years, during which period he should not also be placed in independent charge of a dispensary.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

T. V. Arumugum Mudaliar

For Senior Surgeon.
(absent from the station.)

From

The Senior Surgeon,

Mysore Govt., Bangalore.

To

The Secretary

to the Govt. of Mysore,

General Revenue Deptt.,

Bangalore.

Dated 18-2 1915.

No. G. 323.

Encls.

Subject.

Recommending that Sub Asst Surgeon C. Vedanayagam Pillay may be rewarded by Rs 50/- for five years &c.

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Proceedings of the Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

Letter No. G 129 dated 21st September 1914 from the Senior Surgeon forwarding for the orders of Government the proceedings connected with the enquiries held by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Tumkur, with reference to two petitions against Mr. Vedanayagam, F class Sub-Assistant surgeon, Kunigal.

2. Letter No. G 343 dated 18th February 1915 from the same Officer furnishing his opinion as to the punishment to be awarded to the Sub-Assistant surgeon for the irregularities committed by him.

Order .- No. 9389-90 Medl-14-9

The Senior Surgeon reports that the allegations against the Sub-Assistant surgeon Mr. Vedanayagam that he absented himself from Kunigal without leave for two days from the 12th to the 14th March 1914, that he assaulted a postal runner

who had come to the hospital for treatment and had him driven out of the dispensary compound by force and that he had forbidden the compounder to attend the dispensary during working hours, have all been proved. He is of opinion that the Sub-Assistant surgeon has proved himself ~~to be~~ a totally unreliable subordinate not deserving of any independent charge. --- He therefore recommends that he should be reduced from the 1st to the 2nd class of sub-assistant surgeons on Rs.50/- for a period of 5 years and not placed in any -- independent charge during that period

The Sub-Assistant surgeon has also been found to have set up false pleas -- when his absence without leave was discovered and tried to suppress the fact from ~~coming to~~ the knowledge of the --- District Medical and Sanitary Officer by means of certain entries in the out-patients' register.

2 Government agree with the Senior Surgeon in the serious view taken by him

of the conduct of the Sub-Assistant surgeon and ~~approve of his recommendation~~ direct that he shd be temporarily ~~to~~ reduce ~~him~~ to the 2nd class for a period of ~~5 years and not to place him~~ one year and that he shd not be given ~~in any~~ independent charge during ~~that period~~ the period of 5 yrs. ~~for 5 years.~~ (of e dishy)

24/5/15

Offg: Secretary to Govt.
25/4.5

To

The Senior Surgeon returning the records of enquiry.
" Comptroller Mysore Govt.